ward a voluntary uniform civil code is under the active consideration of the Government and as such it is not possible to give details of its salient features and the likely date of its enactment at this point of time.

Naxalite Group declaring certain villages in Tamil Nadu as 'Liberated Region'

2219. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY:

SHRI S. B. RAMESH BABU:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news item published in the 'Times of India' of 25th July, 1986 under the caption "Naxalites controlling Dharampuri Villages" and that a Naxallte group is controlling some of the villages in the Dharampuri district of Tamil Nadu declaring them as "Liberated region"; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and what action Government have taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STATES (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) and (b) Government have seen the newspaper report. It is not true to say that certain villages in Dharampuri District have become a "Liberated region".

Time limit for surrendering of arms by Mizo National Front Members

2220. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY:

SHRI J. P. GOYAL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what was the time limit fixed for the Mizo National Front members to come overground and surrender in the Mizo accord;

(b) what is the approximate number of underground Mizo National Front members;

(c) the number of Mizo National Front members who have come overground and surrendered within the said time-limit; and

(d) what are the details of the arms surrendered by them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STATES (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) According to the agreed time frame the Mizo National Front members were expected to come overground around 31st July, 1986.

(b) The approximate number of Mizo National Front members was 575.

(c) 534 MNF members (excluding 154 family members) have come overground by 1st August, 1986.

(d) 212 weapons which include, Light Machine guns, Sub-Machine guns, Self loading rifles, Semi automatic rifles, .303 rifles, rocket launchers, 12 Bore guns etc. have been surrendered. 20,185 rounds of ammunition, thirteen hand-grenades and three wireless sets have also been surrendered.

Mediation to arrange meeting between Gorkha National Liberation Front Chief and the Central Leaders

2221. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item appearing in the Times of India of the 26th July, 1986 to the effect that Subhash Geishing, President of the Gorkha National Liberation Front, had been invited by a former Congress Minister of West Bengal, Ram Kishan Saraogi to Delhi for talks with the Central leaders regarding his demand for a separate Gorkhaland; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and what is Government's reaction thereto?